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PREVIOUSLY IN *KING SPAWN*

Spawn has made his way up the ladder and has found those responsible for Granny Blake's kidnapping.

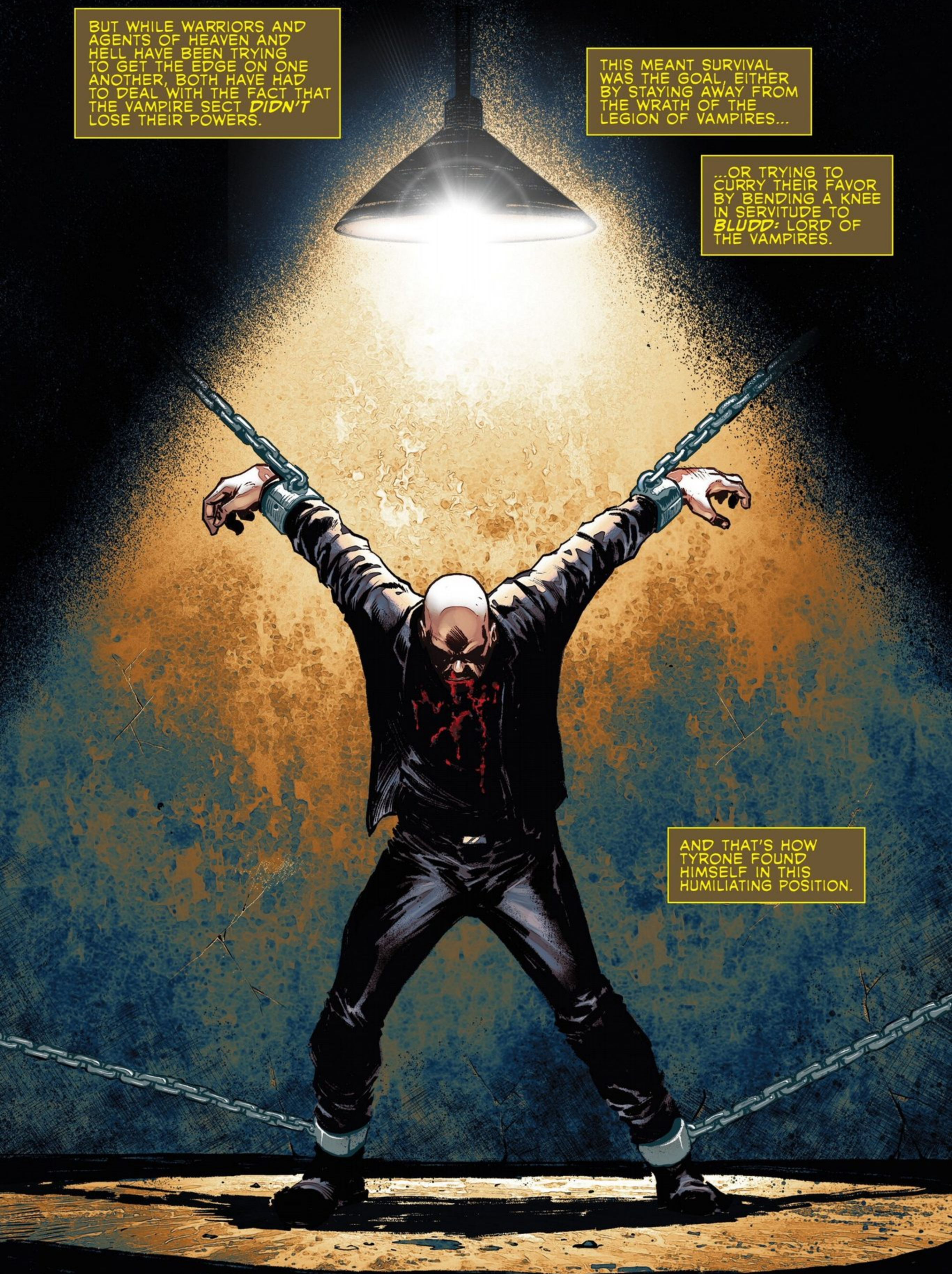
IT'S BEEN MONTHS SINCE THEY ALL LOST THEIR POWERS. MONTHS OF POSITIONING AND HIDING THEMSELVES TO BETTER TAKE ON THEIR **MORTAL** ENEMIES.

BUT WHILE WARRIORS AND AGENTS OF HEAVEN AND HELL HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET THE EDGE ON ONE ANOTHER, BOTH HAVE HAD TO DEAL WITH THE FACT THAT THE VAMPIRE SECT **DIDN'T** LOSE THEIR POWERS.

THIS MEANT SURVIVAL WAS THE GOAL, EITHER BY STAYING AWAY FROM THE WRATH OF THE LEGION OF VAMPIRES...

...OR TRYING TO CURRY THEIR FAVOR BY BENDING A KNEE IN SERVITUDE TO **BLUDD**: LORD OF THE VAMPIRES.

AND THAT'S HOW TYRONE FOUND HIMSELF IN THIS HUMILIATING POSITION.





HIS FATHER HAD TRIED COZYING UP TO BLUDD. OFFERING TO HELP BRING SPAWN TO HIM IN EXCHANGE FOR PROTECTION.

ALL HE HAD TO DO WAS FLUSH SPAWN OUT INTO THE OPEN, BY GOING AFTER SOMEONE SPAWN DEEPLY CARED ABOUT.

BUT THAT PLAN FAILED.



I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU, DEMON.



DITTO.
OR ANY OF YOU FROM HEAVEN.

WELL, THAT'S JUST A MATTER OF TIME.



WE KNOW WHERE ALL YOUR FRIENDS LIVE!



SEE, I WAS WILLING TO FACE YOUR DAD *IN PERSON*-- UNTIL ONE OF US FELL, BUT THAT WASN'T GOOD ENOUGH FOR HIM. HE WENT *AFTER* AN OLD, BLIND LADY INSTEAD.

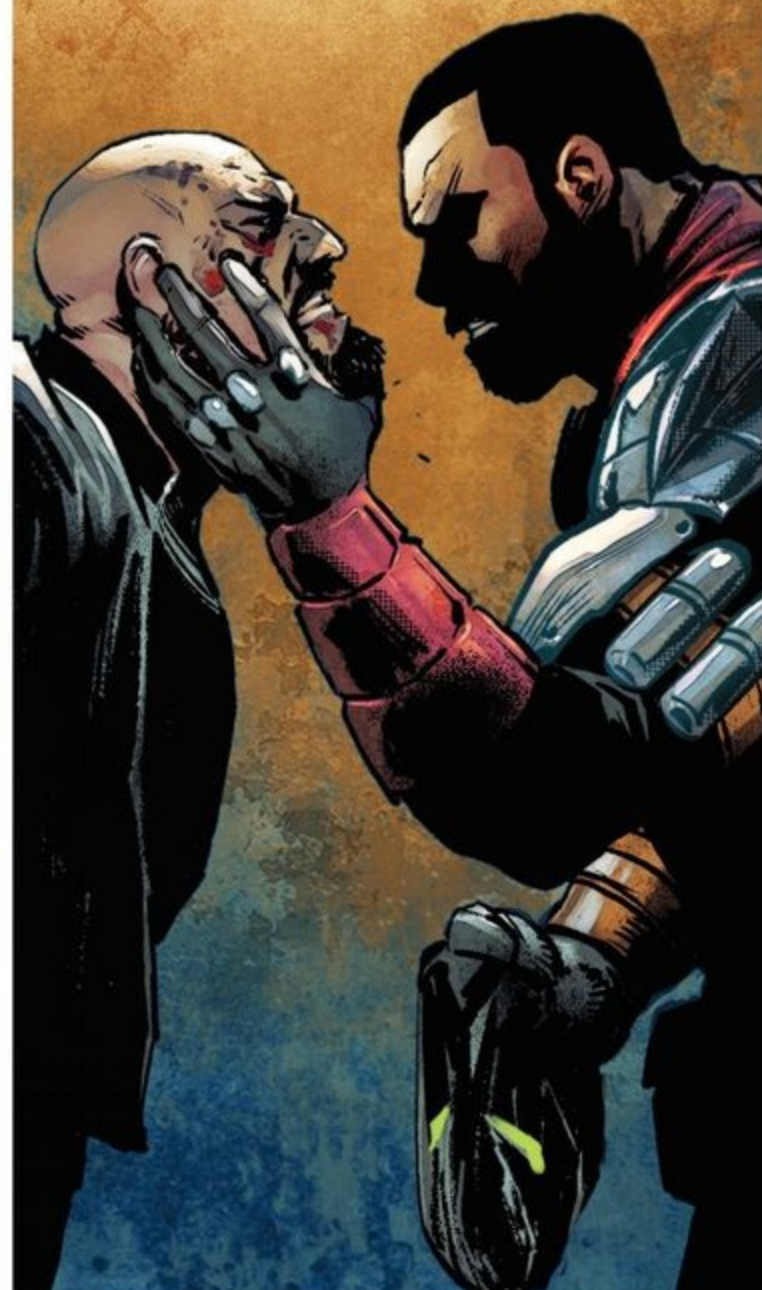


THESE CHAINS...

DO THEY HURT? WHEN SHE WAS IN PAIN, DID YOUR SIDE GIVE A SHIT? NO. YOU AND YOUR GOD AREN'T BUILT THAT WAY.



SO, I AM GOING TO TREAT YOU, THE SAME WAY YOU TREATED MY FAMILY... WITH CRUELTY AND DISDAIN.



DO YOU *F*CKIN'* HEAR ME?!



I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU'RE FEELING, AND I'M GOING TO MAKE DAMN SURE YOUR DAD GETS THAT MESSAGE *LOUD AND CLEAR!*





WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU CAN'T FIND HIM?!



...THAT'S NOT AN ANSWER.

MY SON HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH ANY OF THIS.

SPAWN DOESN'T KNOW THAT.

SO, WHAT, I JUST WAIT AND DO NOTHING.

SIR, WE'LL DO WHATEVER YOU ORDER, BUT WE NEED TO KNOW WHERE THE TARGET IS.

BLUDD, HE ALREADY HAS THE UPPER HAND ON US. HE FINDS OUT I CAN'T DELIVER ON MY PROMISE TO BRING HIM SIMMONS, I'M OF NO USE TO HIM.



ONCE HE DECIDES THAT, HE ELIMINATES ALL OF US. NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

SO, I NEED MY SON, OR I NEED SIMMONS.



WHAT
HAPPENS WHEN
THE REST OF THE
CARTEL FINDS
OUT.

THEY
DIDN'T
SUPPORT
YOU GOING
AFTER MS.
BLAKE.

I'M
AWARE.

BUT
BLUDD AND
HIS ARMY HAVE
THEIR POWERS, AND
THEY'RE NOT GOING
TO HELP ME FIND
MY SON.



WE NEED
TO EVEN THE *ODDS*,
EVEN JUST A LITTLE. SO, WE
FOUND A MAN WHO DEALS
WITH '*AUGMENTED
BEINGS*'.



SOME-
ONE'S BEEN
SENT TO
CHAT WITH
HIM.



WE'LL
REPORT
BACK IF WE
HEAR NEWS
ABOUT
TYRONE.



DID YOU
GET ALL
THAT?



WE
DID.

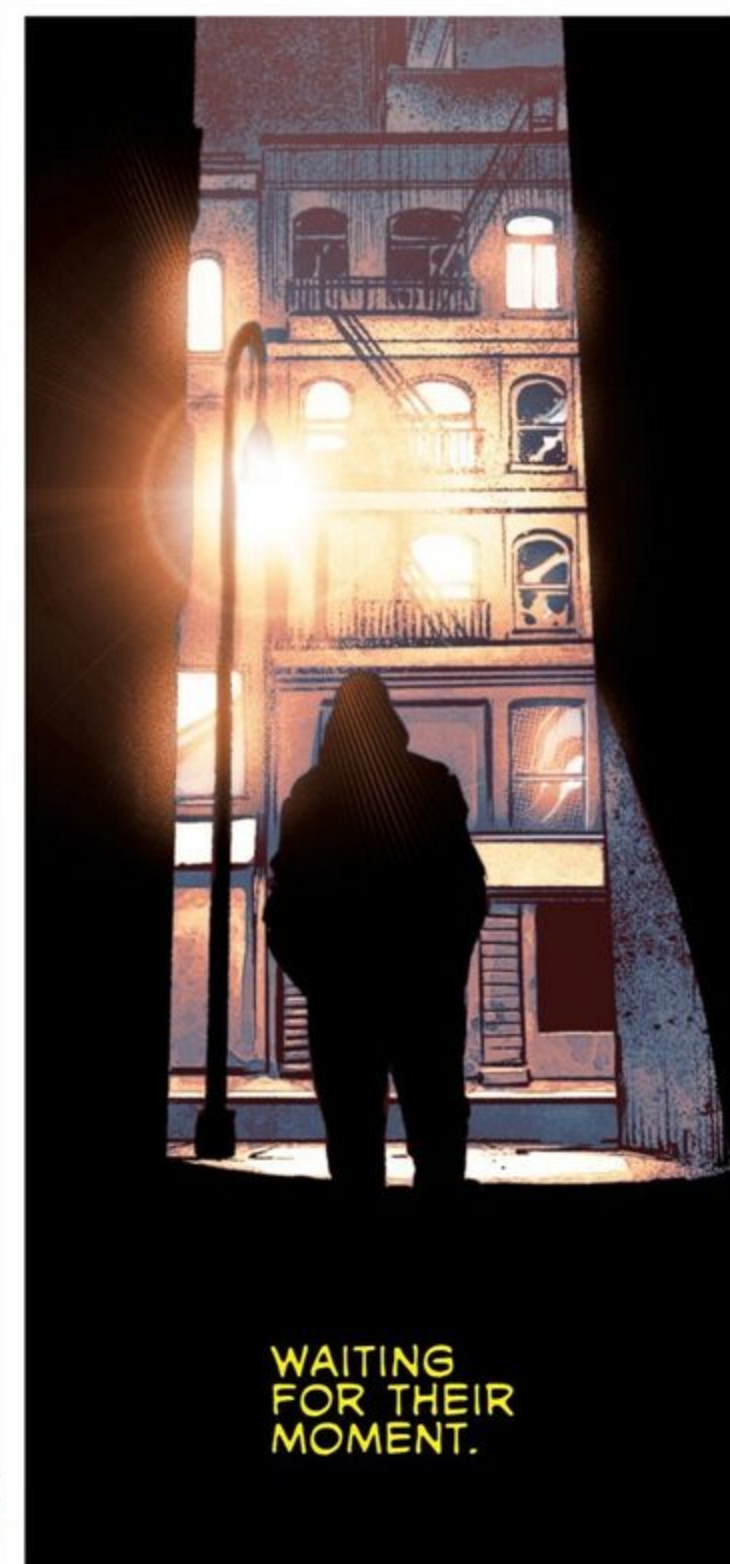
BUT WE CAN'T
PROTECT YOU MUCH
LONGER. BLUDD IS
ALREADY GROWING
SUSPICIOUS.



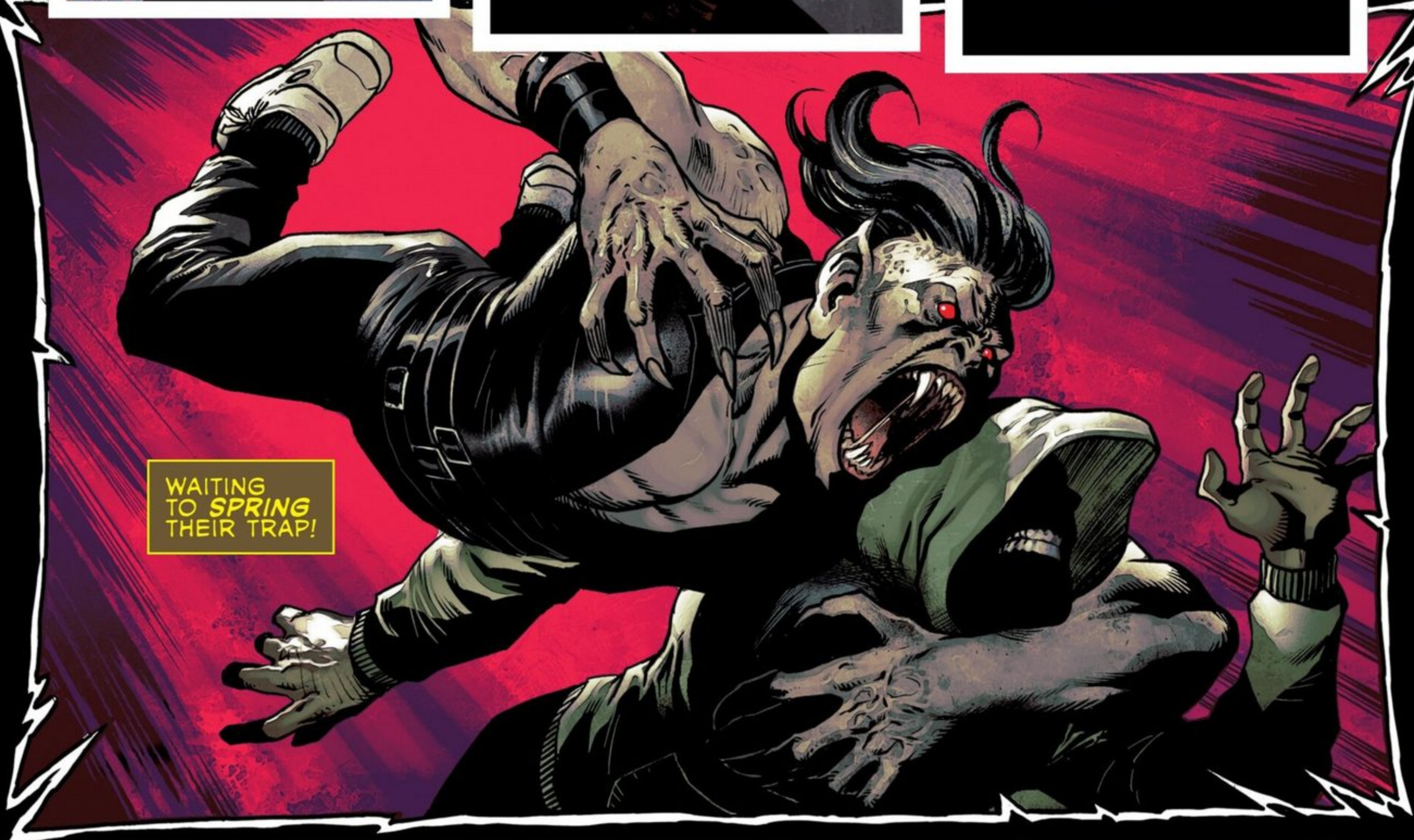
WE NEED
TO MAKE THIS
RIGHT, BECAUSE
WE'RE ALL GETTING
CAUGHT IN YOUR
NET.



WHILE SOME
ATTEMPT TO
HIDE FROM THIS
WAR, OTHERS
ARE PLANNING.



WAITING
FOR THEIR
MOMENT.



WAITING
TO **SPRING**
THEIR TRAP!



SIMMONS?!



THE CREATURE
TRIES TO MAKE
SENSE OF THIS.

WHY IS HE
HERE? THEY
SAID HE
WAS HIDING.



THEN THERE'S
A NOISE...

...AS ANOTHER
CREATURE HAS
JOINED THE FRAY.



ONE WITH AS
MUCH BLOOD-
LUST AS ANY
OF THE UNDEAD
BEINGS. AND
TONIGHT, THIS
HULKING BEAST
INTENDS TO
FEAST!



SIX
PERCENT!
SIX!



CAN YOU
IMAGE THE **GALL**
OF THAT GUY TO COME
BACK WITH **THAT**? I
ALMOST WALKED
AWAY.

BUT I
KNEW HE'D
FOLD.

ESPECIALLY
GIVEN THE
CURRENT MARKET
CONDITIONS.



SO, I LET
HIM TWIST IN THE
WIND AWHILE BEFORE
SCALPING HIM FOR FIFTEEN
PERCENT, WHICH WAS A
STEAL FOR HIM, BUT WHAT
ARE YOU GONNA DO?
THEN I...

UM,
EXCUSE ME A
MOMENT.



Yes?
Can I help
you?



HANG
UP YOUR
PHONE.



LATER.

GLAD
YOU COULD
COME.

LET'S
SAY I WAS
INTRIGUED BY
YOUR ERRAND
BOY'S
OFFER.

HEARD
YOU'RE A TOUGH
NEGOTIATOR.

HERE'S
TO OUR
BUSINESS.

GIVEN
WHAT I
KNOW...

...I THINK
I MAY HAVE THE
PERFECT CLIENT
FOR YOU.

ISN'T HE
GLORIOUS?

MOVES
WITH DEADLY
SILENCE. FEELS
NO REMORSE
FOR HIS
ACTIONS...

I CAN THROW
HIM INTO YOUR
PACKAGE FOR JUST
TWENTY THOUSAND
MORE A DAY. BUT
HE'S IN HIGH DEMAND
SO I'LL NEED AN
ANSWER BEFORE
I LEAVE.

A FEW HOURS LATER THE CONTRACT IS SIGNED, AND THE AGENT HAS TAKEN HIS LEAVE.

POMPOUS BASTARD, WASN'T HE?

THE WORLD'S FILLED WITH ALL KINDS OF USEFUL IDIOTS.



WHAT IS IT? I'M BUSY.

YOU'RE KIDDING?

THEN SHOW HIM UP.



WELL, WELL. MR. SIMMONS, THIS IS A SURPRISE.

GENTLEMEN, LEAVE US PLEASE. I'M SURE MR. SIMMONS WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO ME ALONE.





WISE
MOVE. ANYTHING
HAPPENS TO ME, YOU
NEVER SEE YOUR
SON AGAIN.

SO,
HOW DO YOU
WANT TO PLAY
THIS OUT?



YOU DON'T
WANT MY
OPINION.



I'M SURE
YOU'RE HERE
TO GIVE ME **YOUR**
CONDITIONS. SO,
WHAT ARE
THEY?

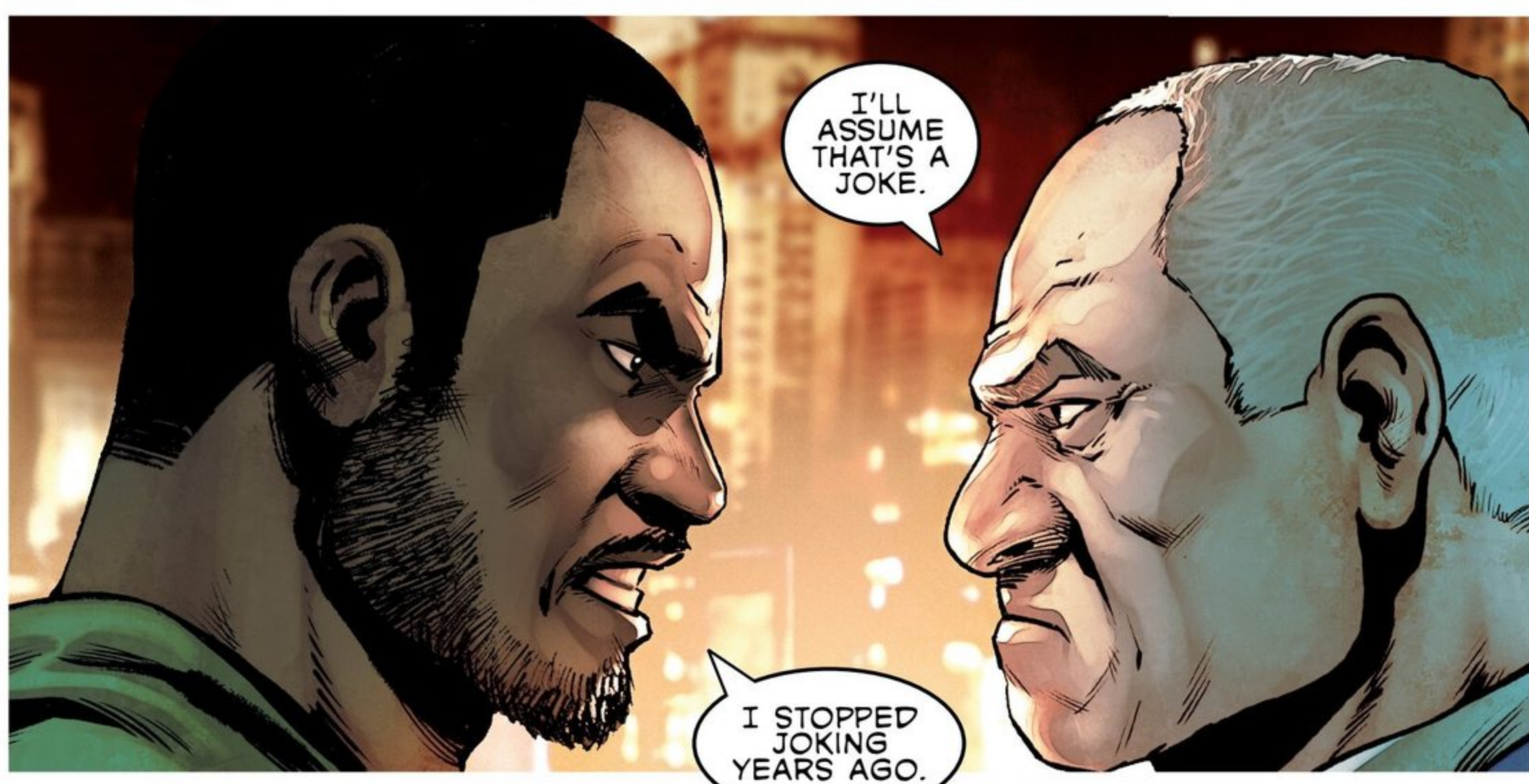
YOU
LEAVE MY
FAMILY ALONE,
I'LL LEAVE
YOURS.

SEEMS
FAIR.



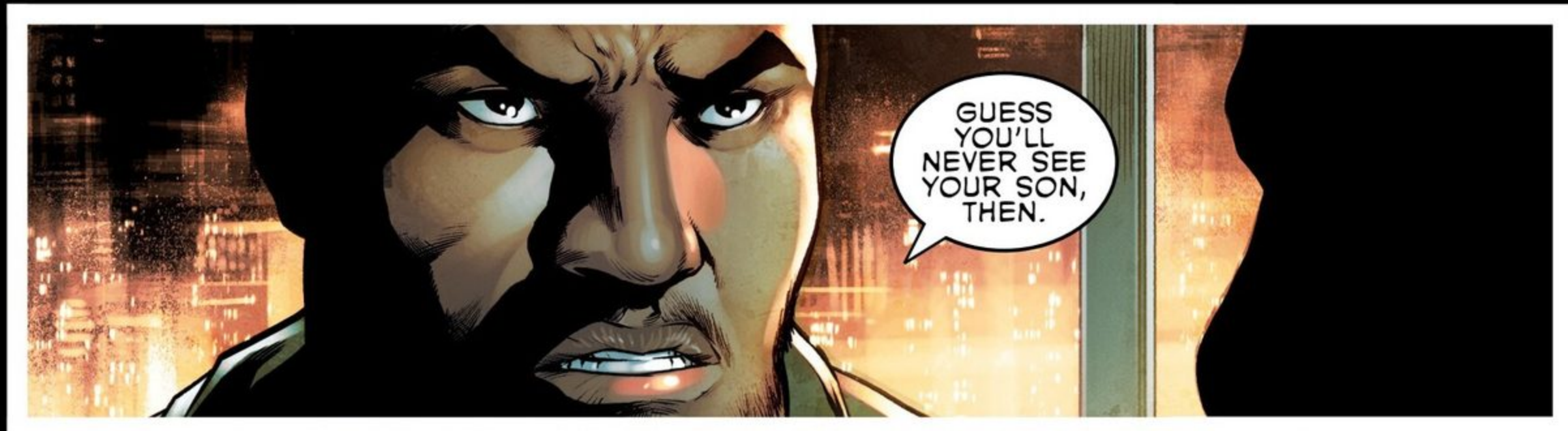
I'M **NOT**
DONE.

I ALSO
WANT HALF YOUR
COMPANY.



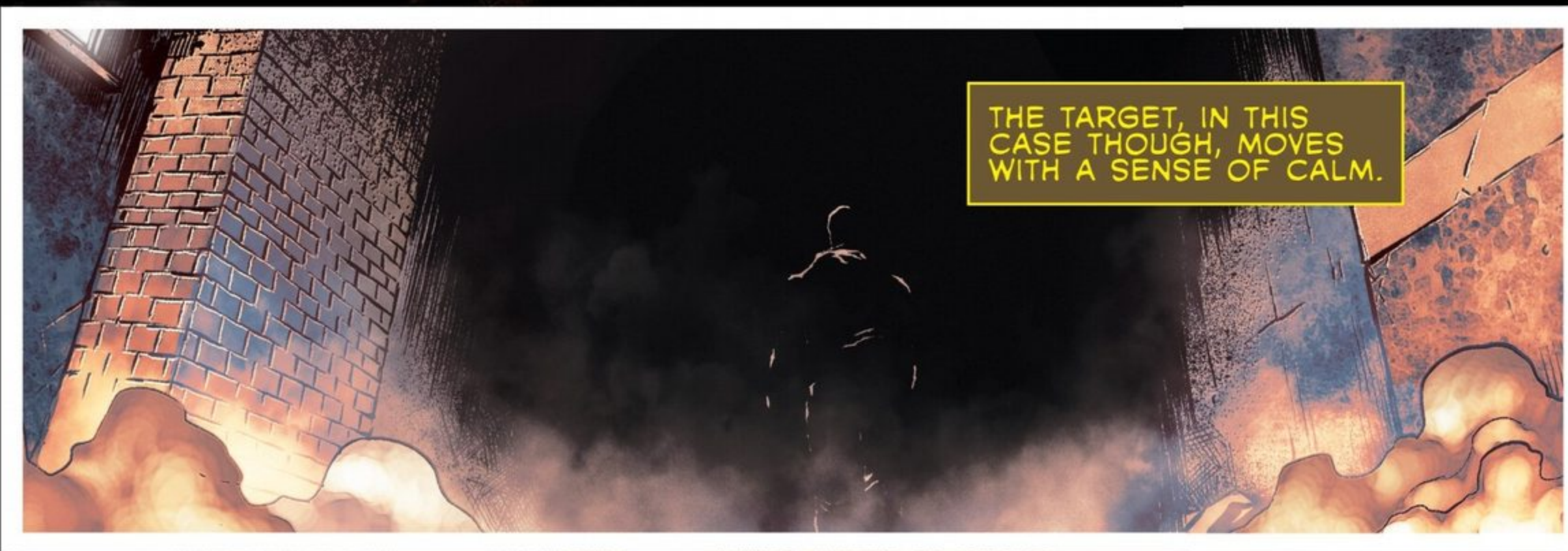
I'LL
ASSUME
THAT'S A
JOKE.

I STOPPED
JOKING
YEARS AGO.





FROM ABOVE, SOMEONE WATCHES HIS PREY.



THE TARGET, IN THIS CASE THOUGH, MOVES WITH A SENSE OF CALM.



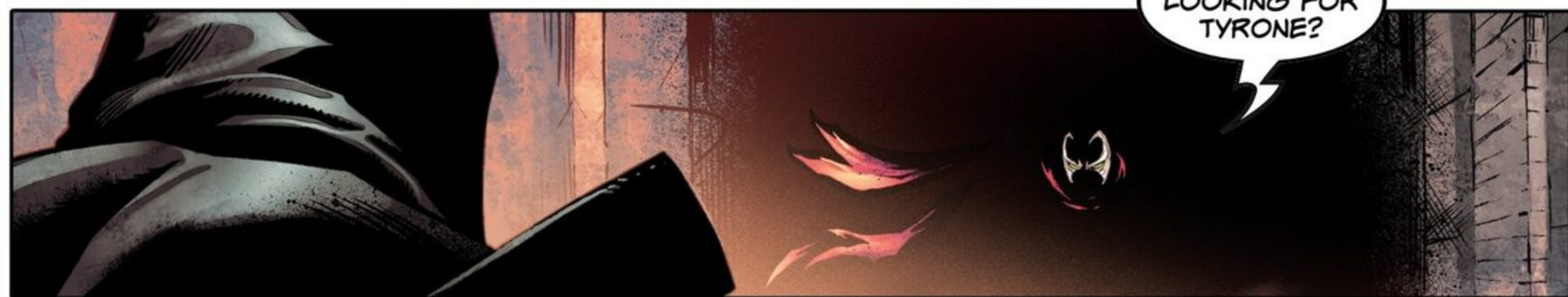
IN FACT, THIS PREY WELCOMES THE HUNT.

SHUP

WITH A QUIET POISE, THE CLOAKED
FIGURE LANDS HIS IMPOSSIBLE LEAP
WITH EASE, POSITIONING HIMSELF FOR
BATTLE ALL IN THE SAME MOTION.



YOU
LOOKING FOR
TYRONE?



OR
ME?

SPAWN'S CAPE
FLUTTERS...



...BEFORE
EXPOSING
HIS HIDDEN
ARMAMENTS.

YOU
WANT A
FIGHT?

**LET'S
GO!**

AND WHEN
I'M DONE WITH
YOU, I'LL SHOW
YOU WHAT HAPPENED
TO THE VAMPIRE I
BORROWED
THESE FROM.



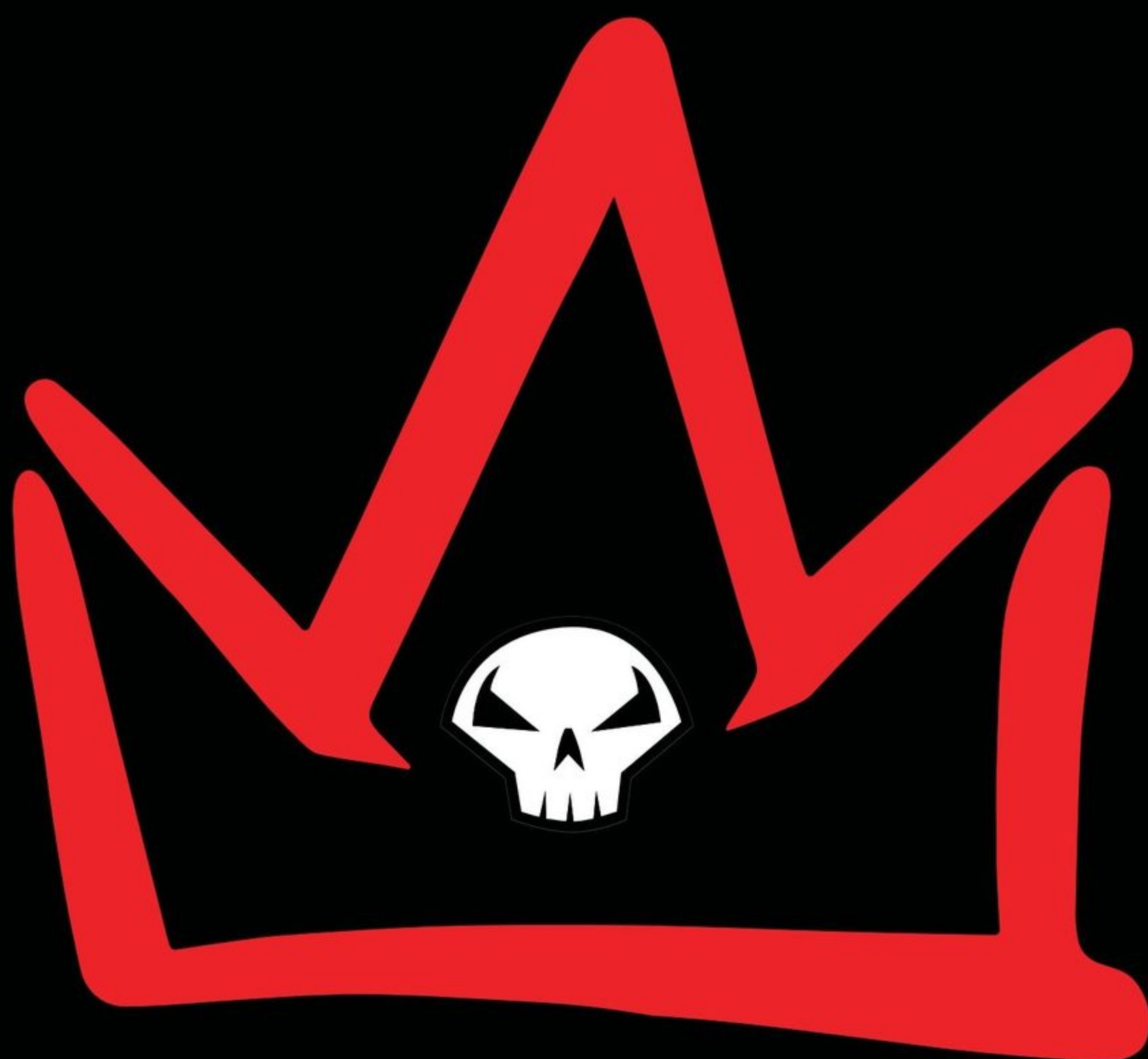


THE VILLAIN
MAINTAINS
HIS SILENCE.

SPAWN
MATCHES
HIS QUIET.

EIGHT SECONDS
PASS AS EACH
TITAN SIZES
THEIR OPPONENT.
ENOUGH TIME TO
ALLOW EACH OF
THEM TO PLAN...

...THEN
REACT!





SPAWNING GROUND

PRESENTS:

MAILBAG

Hey guys, wanted to share my Spawn tat, from issue #1, including the price!!! We also won 2nd place for it!! Been a fan for a long time. Keep up the great work!!!
(Tattoo Artist: @jeffwortham)

-ROB



Rob! Awesome tat! I've said it before, and I will say it again: there are not enough Spawn Tattoos in the world. Thanks for sharing.

-THOMAS

Good day to the Spawn crew. My name is Steve. I've been a Spawn fan since day one, picking up the first issue when I was 7 years old. I've collected the series ever since and have every issue (as well as many of the spin-offs) bagged and boarded in long boxes. Todd and Greg's work on the early issues was "the thing" that made me want to pursue art as a profession. And as a result, I became a tattoo artist, and am approaching 20 wonderful years in that industry. This year, a childhood dream of mine came true when I got to meet Mr. McFarlane at the Calgary Comic Con. He signed my spawn issue 1. I left the convention tired but inspired. I've decided to pursue writing and drawing my own mini-series during my off time (so Image Comics will be hearing from me in the future). Strange how things come full circle like that.



Spawn Fan-Art by Steve Sklepik

Anyway, I've been fortunate enough to have some of my art published in the fanart section of Gunslinger in the past, and I wanted to share a few more pieces I've done recently. These are acrylic paintings of Clown/Violator that I had a blast making (Shameless Instagram plug: @dappergoblinart).

Thanks so much for decades of cool characters, inspirational stories and art, and lots of necroplasm-fueled action. Here's to decades more!

-STEVE

Wow, Steve! These are awesome! Thanks for sharing them with us and the Spawn Fans! Please feel free to send in art anytime! I'd love to take a look. Also, good luck with the comic. I'm looking forward to reading it one day!

-THOMAS



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Do you have a question or comment about Spawn? If so, e-mail it to us at:
spawningground@mcfarlane.com

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DON'T MISS THESE ONGOING TITLES:

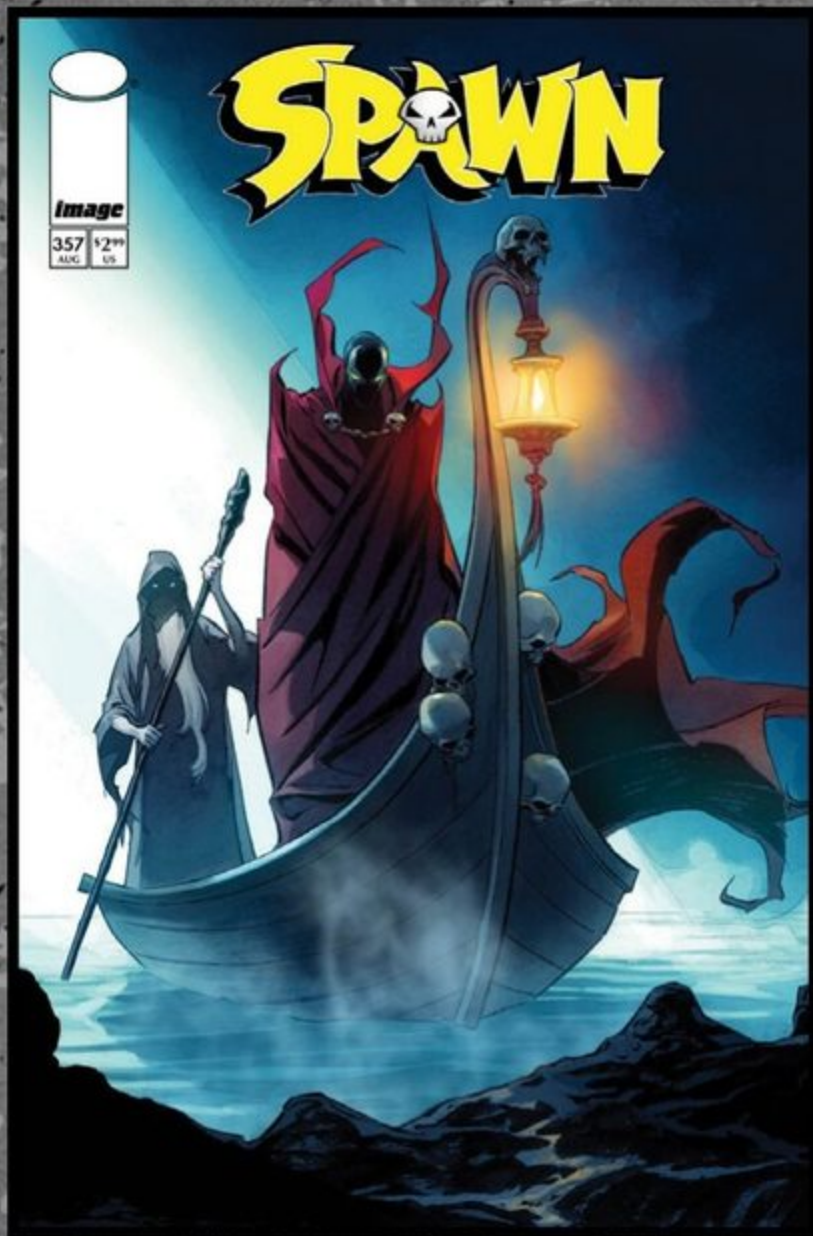
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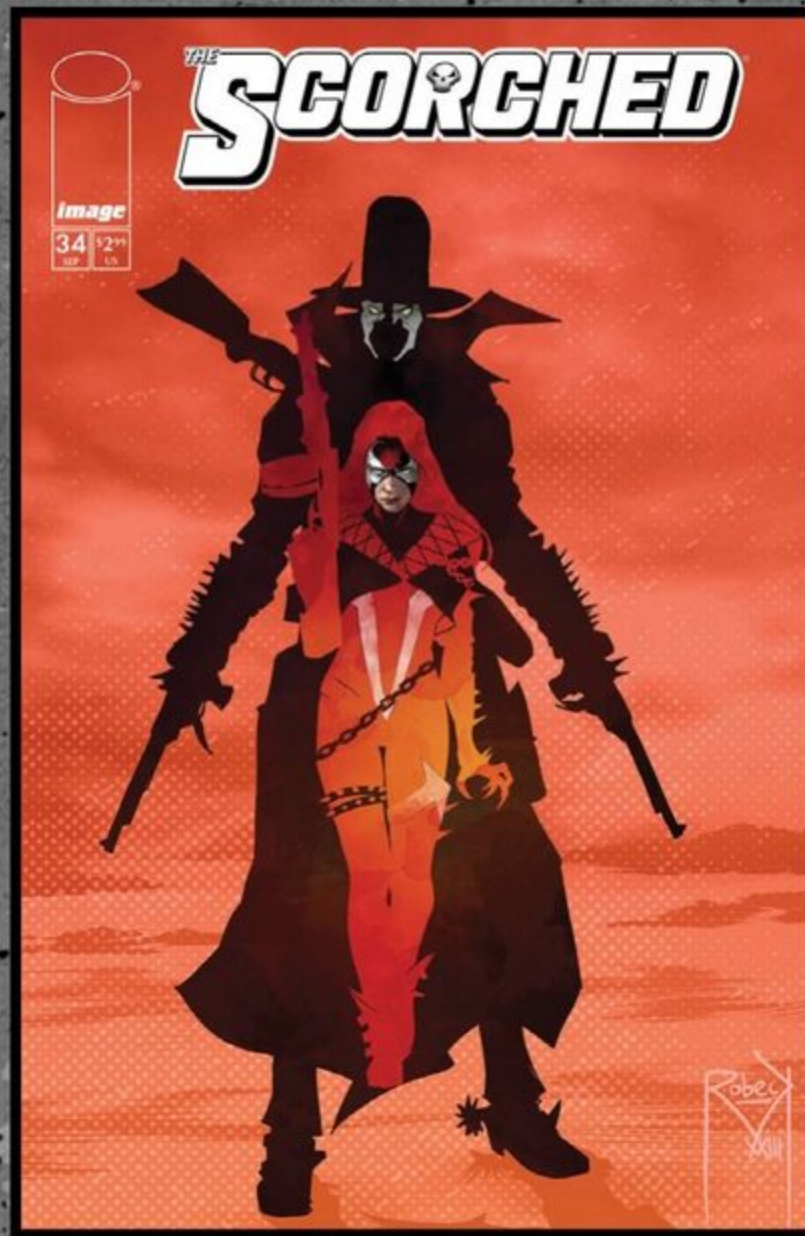
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RECKLESS **EAST OF WEST** **I KILL GIANTS**
THE WALKING DEAD *I HATE FAIRYLAND*
THE DEPARTMENT OF TRUTH *SEX CRIMINALS*
KILLADELPHIA *BATTLE CHASERS*
SAVAGE DRAGON
PRETTY DEADLY **BLACK SCIENCE** THE WICKED + THE DIVINE
MONSTRESS CHEW *SWEET PAPRIKA*
GIDEON FALLS
MOONSTRUCK UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY **SKYWARD** OBLIVION SONG
DESCENDER *PAPER GIRLS* THE OLD GUARD
INVINCIBLE WANTED *BITTER ROOT*
STRAY DOGS WHAT'S THE FURTHEST PLACE FROM HERE **SNOTGIRL**
SAGA *KICK-ASS* **WITCHBLADE** *ISOLA*
INKBLOT
GOD COUNTRY
FIRE POWER
HAPPY!
LITTLE BIRD **RAT QUEENS**
ICE CREAM MAN
DEADLY CLASS
CRIMINAL **DIE**
NOCTERRA
JUPITER'S LEGACY
RADIANT BLACK
DECORUM *BITCH PLANET*
MIDDLEWEST



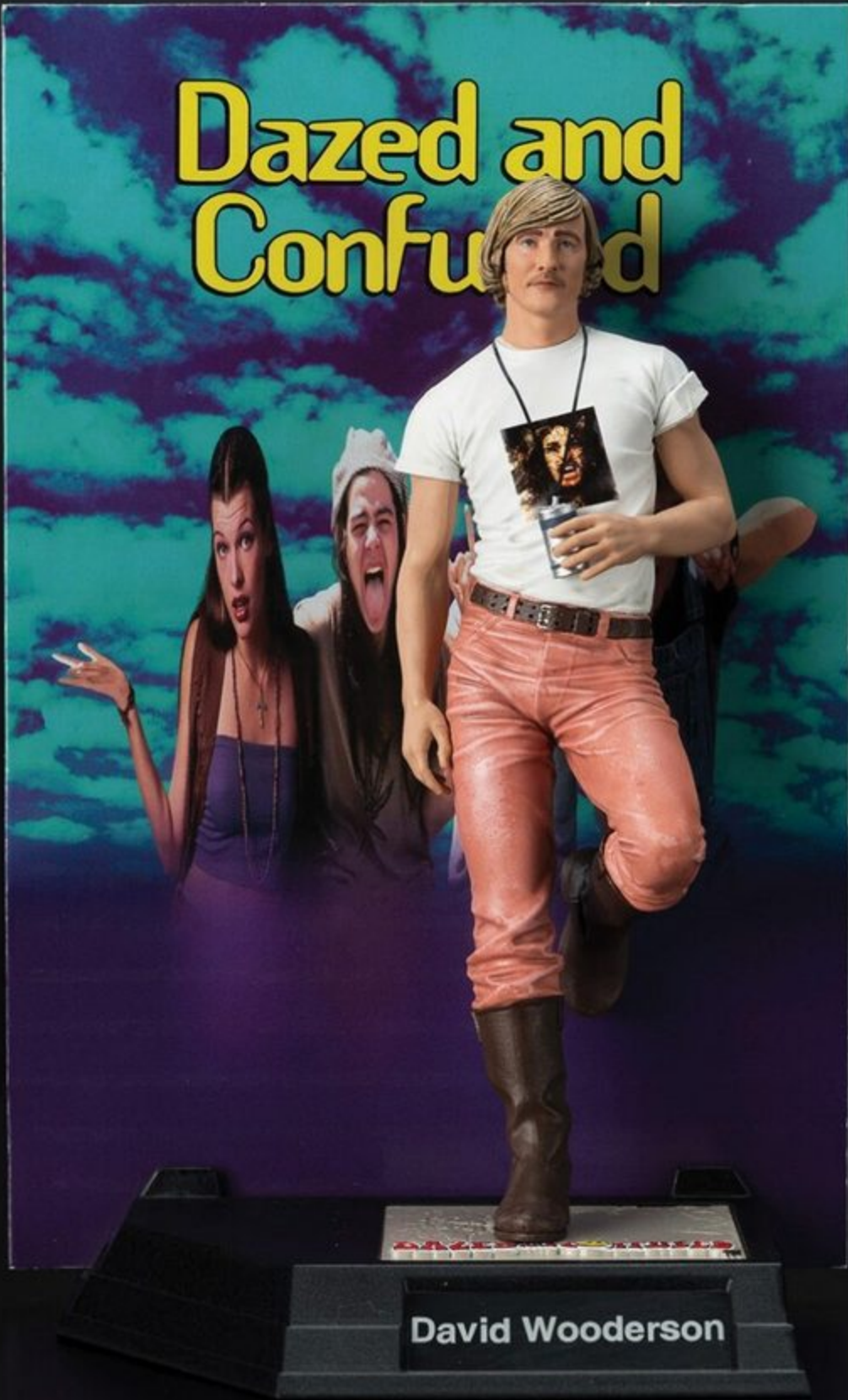
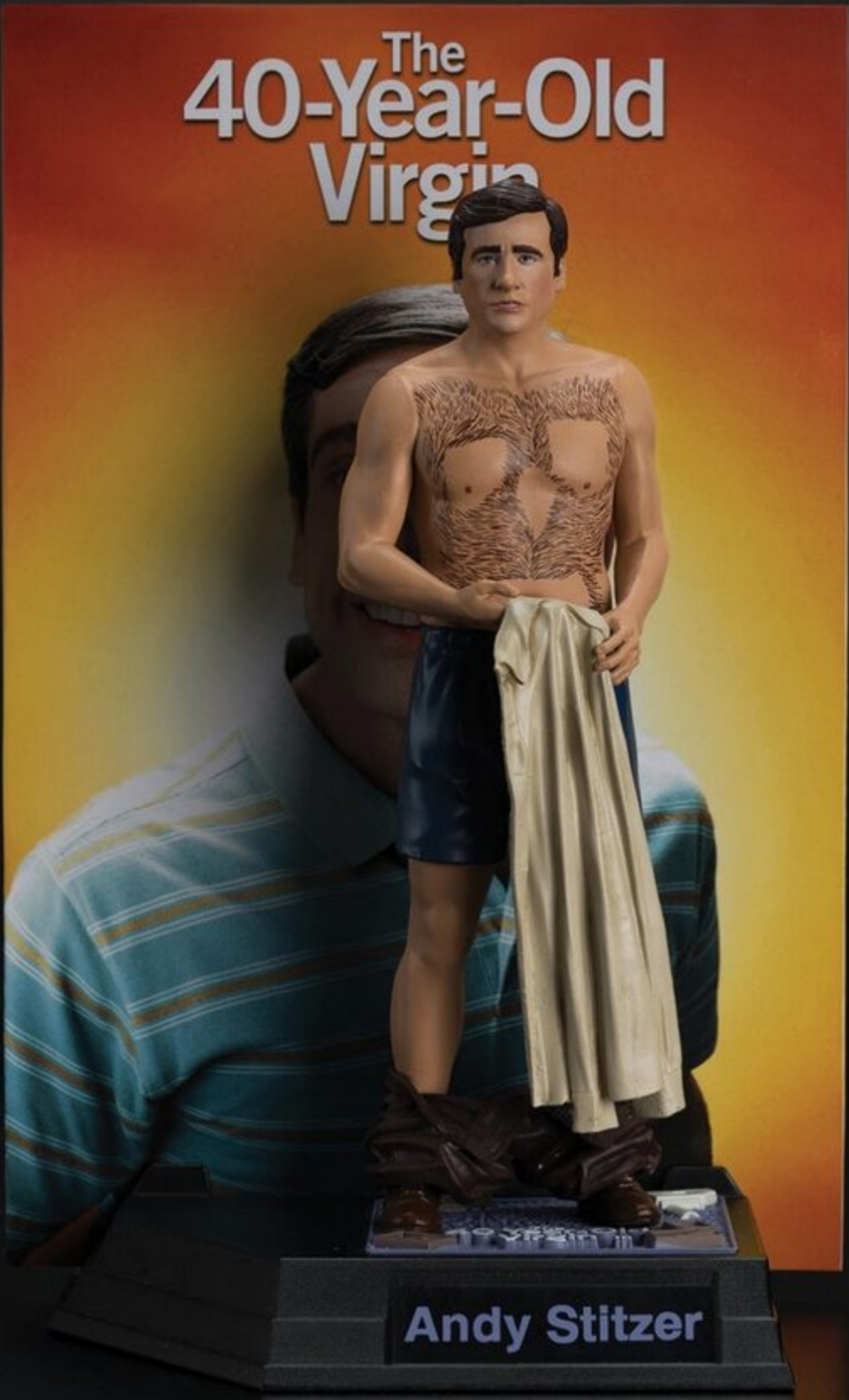
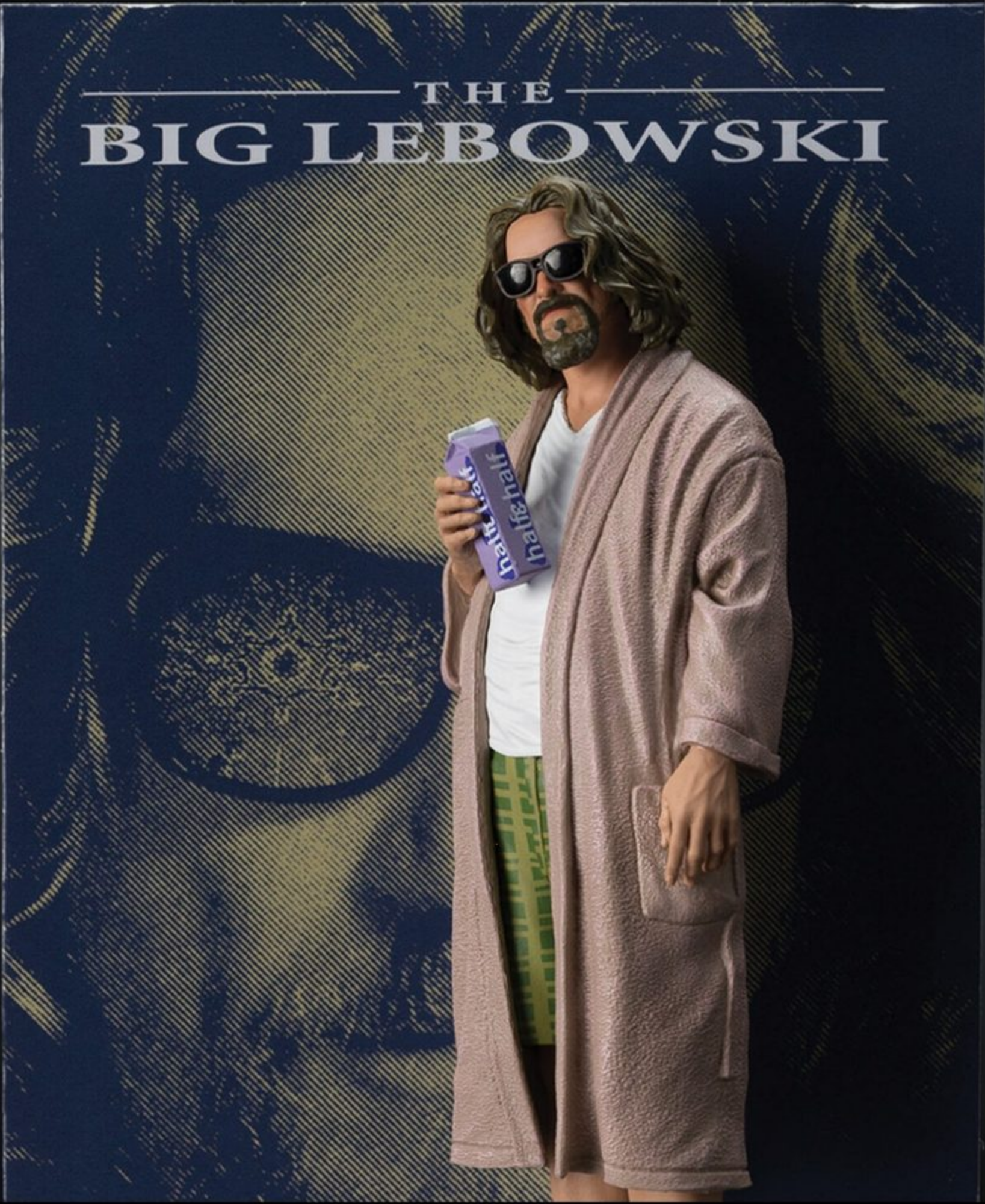
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